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# Black Market Haunts City Councilmen

### Failure To Enact Ordinance In 1944 Leads To Abuses

By O. J. Pecord

Increased black market activities in the Toledo area and a growing shortage of meats and other scarce food items reported by Jerome Gross of the Toledo Blade and Mildred Wirt, Toledo Times, coupled with complaints of the OPA Labor Advisory Committee have come home to roost in city council which, on March 20 of last year, turned a deaf ear to hundreds of workers and refused to take action in providing Toledo with a black market ordinance.

Hundreds of members of the CIO, AFL and Railroad unions crowded into city council on March 13, and again on March 20 of last year to ask city council to pass the proposed black market ordinance to put teeth in the local enforcement and aid the sorely pressed and undermanned local OPA office in apprehending black market operators.

**Council Was Polite**

Council listened politely to the claims which were made by members of the OPA Labor Advisory Board consisting of Edward J. Duck, Local 12, UAW-CIO; Herbert Dodd, Railway Brotherhood and Tom Quinn, AFL.

Despite the fact that councilmen, five of whom were given the backing of labor in the 1943 councilmanic election were told that, "the unions are in complete harmony on the black market ordinance," they still voted seven to two against adopting the ordinance with only Councilmen Tom Burke and Michael V. DiSalle casting their vote in its favor.

**Realtor Lobby Active**

Principal pressure brought against the 1944 black market ordinance came from the Toledo Real Estate Board and several independent operators and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce represented by its then president, Robert Dunn.

All opposed to the black market ordinance said that in view of the fact that Congress would be asked to continue the act creating the OPA by the end of June 1944, they felt nothing should be done. Councilmen taking their cue from the ordinance opponents parroted the same belief and when the time came to vote snowed under the legislation.

Feeling which ran high among the workers last year when council refused to adopt the black market legislation is at a

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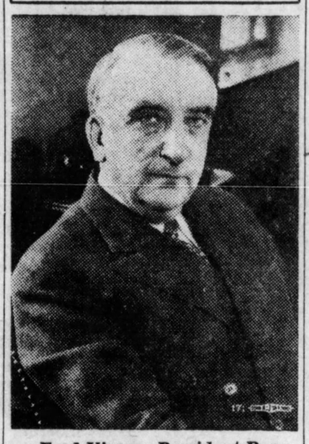
## Top Man



Fred Vinson, President Roosevelt's last major appointment, will have the final word on industrial reconversion and postwar planning. Vinson succeeded James Byrnes as Director of War Mobilization and Reconversion. (LPA).

## Truman Urged To Continue FDR Program

DETROIT, April 24 — The UAW-CIO today sent a telegram to President Truman urging continuation by him of the domestic and international policies of the late President Roosevelt. On the basis of such a program, the telegram said, President Truman will be "assured the full and effective support which it was the privilege of our organization to render President Roosevelt."

The text of the telegram released today was approved by the international executive board of the UAW-CIO at its recent Milwaukee meeting.

Another resolution adopted by the UAW board and made public today at the union's international headquarters announced the intention of the union to open a campaign for funds to erect a public memorial to President Roosevelt in Detroit, as well as local memorials in the respective auto industry centers. The International union made a donation of $25,000 to start off the memorial fund drive.

## Taylor Says A Mouthful

NEW YORK (LPA) — War Labor Board Chairman George Taylor last week called for more collective bargaining and less dependence on government intervention in labor-management affairs. In a speech before the American Management Association, Taylor proposed a "program of labor and industry aimed at more collective bargaining agreements and less directives."

The WLB head emphasized that "It still takes three to make a bargain on wages, but only two with respect to other matters covered by collective bargaining."

## CIO Confirms L-M Charter

WASHINGTON (LPA)—President Philip Murray and other CIO representatives last week were authorized by the CIO executive board to participate in and further the work of the Labor-Management Charter proposed by CIO President Murray, AFL President Green, and U. S. Chamber of Commerce President Eric Johnston.

# T. J. C. Installs Officers

Officers of the newly created Toledo Joint Council and of Local 363, URWDSEA, CIO, were installed in a colorful ceremony last Tuesday night at the Union's headquarters, 215 Summit St.

Tom Burke, acting TIUC executive secretary was the installing officer and gave the oath of obligation to the members of both the Joint Council and Local 363.

In a brief speech congratulating the officers and members of the Toledo Joint Council and Local 363 following the installation, Councilman Burke told the audience of 500, "we are coming to a time of real problems, acute problems, and within the next year. This will be a time when the unions will be called upon to meet the situation as it arises and to give our support to our union officials in their fight for us."

**Asks Full Support**

Mr. Burke told the audience "you will be asked to support the PAC—and you will be called upon. You will be asked to support your officers in their fight for you—and you will be asked. Give your officers whom you have democratically elected your full support, pledge them your full support and back them up in their efforts to aid you."

Roy Scroggins, Michigan state URWDSEA director presided over the meeting and expressed his pleasure at being given the opportunity to attend the installation service. He thanked Lawrence Steinberg, Ohio state URWDSEA director, who was installed as director of the Toledo Joint Council, for his support in the Detroit strike of Montgomery-Ward Co. and told the members of the union that it was a fight against Sewell Avery whom he termed a "fascist more at home on foreign soil than in America."

**Officers Installed**

Installed as officers were Lawrence N. Steinberg, director; Ivo Erwin, president; Irving

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## UAW Warns Management

DETROIT, April 24. — The UAW-CIO, through its international executive board, today extended an offer and a warning to automotive industry management.

A resolution adopted by the UAW board and made public today endorses the objectives of the industrial peace charter recently signed by Philip Murray, Eric Johnston and William Green, presidents respectively, of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and the American Federation of Labor.

The resolution noted at the same time that automotive management and the National Association of Manufacturers are opposing the charter.

The UAW-CIO statement concluded with "notice that while our organization prefers and is anxious for industrial peace, it will not surrender any of its legitimate rights—including the right to strike in peace-time—and will extend all its energies and resources to protect the position of our organization and the interests of our membership."

## REMEMBER!

**Your International UAW-CIO assessment of $1.00 is due with your April dues payment. Those who fail to pay the assessment by midnight of May 31 will be automatically suspended. Members who pay their dues yearly in advance are also subject to suspension if they fail to make their assessment payment during the month of May, 1945. Shops on dues deduction who has not had the deduction made will have their April dues deduction applied to the assessment wherever this is possible. If you are in arrears in your dues deduction you are liable to suspension. Play safe-check your standing.**

# Joint Council And Local 363 Install New Officers

In one of the most colorful ceremonies ever seen in Toledo, The newly created Toledo Joint Council, and Local 363 United Retail, Wholesale, Department Store Employees—CIO installed their newly elected officers on April 24 at Union headquarters, 215 Summit St.

Organization work done by the union in the past three years under Lawrence N. Steinberg, State URWDSEA-CIO Director, has resulted in bringing this union to the top as one of the largest and most united CIO Locals in this section of the state.

Membership in the unions represented in the Joint Council has increased from less than 500 in 1942 to approximately 4000 at the present time, a growth which is but partially due to increased wartime employment. Joint Council officials foresee a continued growth of their union and believe it will eventually be the second largest in Toledo.

The Toledo Joint Council is composed of representatives of Locals 35 and 363 headed by Ivo Erwin, president, (bottom row third from left).

# President Truman Given Union Support Pledge

## Roosevelt Objectives Aim of New Administration

WASHINGTON, April 25, (LPA) — America's new chief executive, President Harry S. Truman, has gotten away to a flying start during his first two weeks in office. Nearly all elements of the nation have pledged their support to him—and just about the strongest such pledges came from organized labor.

At the very outset Truman made it clear he intended to carry on the program of the late President Roosevelt, to do everything possible to attain speedy victory in the war and a lasting peace thereafter. At the same time he emphasized that there would be no halt in the struggle to achieve a better deal for the common man at home.

He reiterated these objectives in an impressive message to Congress; in a broadcast to American troops all over the world; in his first conference with Washington newsmen, and in meetings with Congressional delegations. Particularly significant from labor's standpoint was this decleration made by President Truman in his address to Congress:

**Labor Interprets Speech**

"Here in America we have labored long and hard to achieve a social order worthy of our great heritage. In our time tremendous progress has been made toward a really democratic way of life.

"Let me assure the forward looking people of America that there will be no relaxation in our efforts to improve the lot of the common people."

Labor chiefs took that to mean that Truman will conti-

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## British Tour America

WASHINGTON, April 22 (LPA)—A strange new world faces four British trade union women for the next eight weeks in the United States.

Bright lights, plentiful food and silk stockings are some of the things that startled them on their arrival in the U. S. last week as guests of the government and the American trade union movement.

The four British union women war workers came from England with four U. S. union women returning after an eight-week visit to England's war production centers.

**Silk Stockings Surprise**

At a government press conference for the eight women Miss Margaret Jennings, representing the Nottingham and District Hosiery Workers Society, declared that she and her colleagues expected many surprising things in the U. S. "But I didn't expect," she said, "what I saw—lights, food, silk stockings."

The American women were unanimous in their belief that American labor is more aggressive and vital than the British trade union movement.

The American unionists paid tribute to the courage and stamina of the English women in their home-front fight in the factories and in the homes.

**To Visit Sections**

The four British women after leaving here will go separately to various sections of the country. They are Miss Barbara Bates, of the Natl. Union of General and Municipal Workers; Miss Mary J. Brodie, of the Edinburght Electrical Trades Union; Miss Jennings and Miss Edith Haycock, of the Tailors and Garment Workers Union.

The American union women who will accompany their British sisters during their U.S. tour.

## Nisei Organize USA-CIO

LONDON, Ont. (LPA)—Canadian evacuees of Japanese ancestry who recently arrived in Ontario from British Columbia have organized a local of the United Steelworkers of America, CIO, at a foundry here, the Pacific Citizen reports. The steelworkers union is affiliated with the CCL.

## Cutbacks Hit Warplants

WASHINGTON, April 24, (LPA) — Douglas aircraft workers in Los Angeles were notified on their way to work last week that perhaps they didn't have jobs any more.

The Douglas workers learned from their daily papers that production of the B-17 Flying Fortresses has been cut in half by War Dept. order. There was no notice from management; the Douglas workers learned of the cutback from their morning headlines.

In Detroit it was announced that production of the B-24 Bomber by the huge Ford Willow Run plant would be stopped before the end of August.

More than 100,000 workers will be hit by the B-24 cutback, War Dept. officials admit. Willow Run now has more than 21,000 workers.

**Blame War Department**

Labor leaders in Washington blamed the War Dept. for "releasing prematurely" the news of the cutback to the Los Angeles press before management at Douglas had an opportunity to notify its employes or the unions to announce the cutback.

Union officials were especially

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## Congressmen Continue Filibuster

WASHINGTON, April 24 (LPA) — Southern Congressmen, evidently fearful of permanent Fair Employment Practices legislation, continued their filibuster against the bill last week in a House Committee.

After seven scheduled sessions, the House Rules Committee still has not disposed of the Permanent FEPC bill primarily because of the delaying activities of the Southern Congressmen. On Feb. 23, the bill was referred to the committee by a resolution asking for an "open rule"—one which allows amendments from the floor.

Opponents are led by Rex O. C. Fisher (D. Tex.), E. E. Cox (D. Ga.), and William M. Colmer (D. Miss.) Since House rules prevent a filibuster on the floor, the Congressmen are "obviously trying to filibuster by heckling and by non-appearance at Rules Committee sessions," supporters of the Permanent FEPC charge.

The elevation of Harry S. Truman to the Presidency is expected to have little effect on progress of the bill, according to Permanent FEPC supporters. Truman is on record as voting or the last FEPC appropriation.

Less cheerful is the record of Republican-dominated state legislatures on state FEPC laws, say the bill's supporters. Outside of New York and New Jersey, Republicans ran out on such laws. In Kansas and California, such laws were killed in Republican-dominated committees.

# PAC Schedules Important Meeting

### Election Issues; PR Repeal To Be Discussed Monday

Election issues, repeal of the PR system of electing city councilmen and state and national legislation will be some of the important topics to be discussed when the PAC holds its regular quarterly meeting Monday, April 30, at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St.

In order to accommodate all the members of PAC who now number more than during the 1944 presidential election, the meeting will be held in two sections, the first at 10:00 a. m. for second shift workers and the evening meeting at 8:00 p. m. PAC chairman Clayton Rusch will preside at both meetings.

**To Discuss PR**

Prominent on the meeting agenda will be a discussion of the repeal of the PR system of electing city councilmen which is being sponsored in Toledo by the PAC. Attorney Carl J. Christensen former Judge and prosecuting attorney and well known in local legal and political circles will be the principal speaker in the evening meeting.

Mr. Christensen who is chairman of the Citizens Committee for Repeal of the PR System is a long time foe of the system and fought it both before and since its adoption.

Reports covering increased PAC membership, legislative activities of the Toledo PAC in Columbus, petition circulation and other activities of the organization will be presented to the membership.

**Burke To Speak**

Councilman Tom Burke, CIO member of the city council, will speak and explain some of the important legislation that has come before Council during his tenure of office. He will give his voting record for the past 15 months and outline briefly his ideas on postwar municipal planning. Mr. Burke sponsored legislation passed at the Monday session of Council appropriating $12,195 for playgrounds which will provide baseball diamonds and other recreational improvements.

PAC officials express the opinion that the Monday meeting will be one of the largest ever staged by the organization and are urging all members to be present so they can see and hear of the great progress made during the current year. An important announcement will be made which will be of great interest to PAC members.

The meetings will be open to the public. Members are being asked to bring their friends and neighbors.

## Ballard Reports PAC Progress

Charles Ballard, International UAW-CIO representative assigned from the office of Regional Director Richard Gosser reports that PAC is making satisfactory progress in the Willys-Overland Unit of which he is a member.

Several thousand new members have been signed in the Unit according to Representative Ballard who attributes the increased interest in the political organization to the resentment felt by Willys Unit members against the PR system of electing city councilmen.

One of the highlights in Mr. Ballards report of the political activities of Willys Unit members is the large number of letters and postcards send by members of the organization to state representatives and senators favoring the passage of the new unemployment compensation bill. Unit members are opposed to any compromise and are insisting in their letters that it be $25 for 26 weeks and nothing less.

# Employers Unionize To Fight Foremen's Union

WASHINGTON, April 24, (LPA) — A "united front" of employers whose foremen are joining unions made its first appearance before a government body last week. Determined to delay as long as possible the day when they have to recognize foremens' unions, representatives of 14 corporations got together to tell the same story to the Nat'l War Labor Board at a meeting April 18. All of the companies have before the Board cases involving working conditions and wages for supervisors.

Tip-of that they are united in their opposition to unionization of foremen came when each of the 14 companies maintained that the cases did not properly fall within WLB's jurisdiction. Instead, they demanded that the WLB wait until the Natl. Labor Relations Board has held elections on certifying the unions as bargaining agents.

Motor car companies with cases pending urged that the WLB suspend all activities on cases involving supervisors now before them until the companies have taken court action against the NLRB for its decision in the Packard case. This case, in which the NLRB reversed itself and agreed that foremen could join unions, is being bitterly contested by the auto companies.

Speed was urged by M. H. Goldstein, representing the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers CIO in three shipyard cases now before the board. This is necessary because sharp cutbacks are now taking place in shipyards, and any delay will allow the company to fire unionized supervisors at will, he said.

The WLB is expected to hold off action on all Detroit cases until after settlement of the Packard case, but probably will proceed with decisions in the other cases.

# Profiteers Urge Food Price Boost

WASHINGTON, April 24 (LPA) — Remember the "food crisis" a year ago now? It was on May 1, 1944, that eight canned vegetables were made point-free. On May 3, last year, all meats except steaks and beef roasts went off the ration lists. Lard has been taken off on March 3, 1944. It looked as though we had too much food.

Now, only twelve months later, there's another kind of "food crisis." Government authorities say food stocks are dangerously low. Army officials say that the food stockpiles for the armed forces are being cut seriously. Every housewife knows that meat is scarce, and point values on canned goods are high. And, most serious for the prospects of world peace, the United States is having to back down on its premises of the barren necessities of food for the liberated peoples of Europe.

**Two Solutions Offered**

Two solutions have been offered for the "food crisis." One is presented by the same men who last year advocated the "bare shelf" policy for the U. S. They want the nation to end the war without any food surpluses, which they fear might cut profits of U. S. food processors. They thought the war would end last fall or winter, and they were successful in getting the bare shelves in time for what they thought was scheduled as the day of victory. But when the day came, victory was not yet in sight.

Now, these same men and pressure groups propose that OPA food price ceilings be smashed, as the means of getting the needed food production.

Outside of the federal food agencies (where food processors have been strongly represented) this group's major spokesmen before the Senate Agriculture Committee's investigation of the feed shortage last week was Tom Linder. Besides being Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture, Linder has a long record of having fronted for poll tax Democrats, and Republicans like publisher Frank Gannett in their

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# Annual Wage Program Pushed By CIO

WASHINGTON, April 25, (LPA) — The CIO is pushing strongly for furtherance of a guaranteed annual wage program.

The Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers-CIO announced "the first concrete program for the establishment of a guaranteed annual wage for a major American industry." The CIO Executive Board, on April 12, authorized President Murray to appoint a "Special Research Committee" on annual wages.

The IUMSW program was announced by President John Green and proposed a guaranteed annual wage for shipbuilding and ship repair workers, based upon a $3000 wage for standard skilled mechanics, with other classifications of employees paid in proportion.

In a twin proposal, the IUMSW Board also called for curtailment of the work week in the shipbuilding industry as soon as practicable from its present 48 hours to 40 and then to 35 hours.

**Union Proposed Program**

The guaranteed annual wage program proposed by the Union:

1. Called for the establishment of a subcommittee of WPB's Shipbuilding Stabilization Committee, which would meet before midsummer to institute such a plan.

2. Recommended that the wage stabilizaiont pattern of the shipbuilding stabilization program be adapted to the annual wage.

3. Took cognizance of the probability that there will be sharp reductions in employment in the shipbuilding industry, and therefore recommended that all workers permanently laid off who will not be covered by the guaranteed annual wage plan should receive severance pay equivalent to 8% of their annual earnings up to a maximum of five years' benefits.

4. Declared that the basis for a guaranteed annual wage must be a planned construction program, and therefore urged the allocation of shipbuilding new

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activities dealing with food policies.

**Linder Tells Senators**

Asked by Sen. Ellender (D. La.) whether he was in favor of doing away with OPA, Linder quickly replied: "I'd get rid of it as quickly as I could without disrupting the country."

Demands that subsidies be given to food raisers and to processors when they show that they are caught in price squeezes, but that OPA ceilings remain firm and that the cost of living be kept down, are being made by labor and consumer spokesmen. They point with approval to the statement by Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Elmer Thomas (D. Okla.) who still maintains this stand despite the barrage from the food interests.

**Problem of Inspection**

Besides the problem of prices, one of the problems that will have to be tackled by the federal agencies if the meat supply is to be distributed evenly and fairly is how to control the meat slaughtered in plants without federal inspection. Before the war, 66% of U. S. meat passed through federally inspected plants, 21% was non-inspected, and 13% was farm slaughter, according to government figures.

All war needs—for land lease and for the U. S. armed forces—come exclusively from federally inspected slaughter houses.

When there was 147 pounds of meat per civilian available, as was true last year, the distortion of distribution between city and rural areas did not show up so much. But with civilian supply from June to December 1945 cut to the rate of 115 pounds per person for a year, government agencies agree that something has to be done to increase the quantity of federally inspected meat available.

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# Truman Given Support Pledge

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nue the fight to preserve and extend New Deal legislation; that like his predecessor he will follow a course at least somewhat "left or center."

What also encouraged labor in that belief is Truman's own record of support of New Deal laws and of measures sought by the trade union movement to improve the lot of the nation's workers.

**Sponsors "Full Employment"**

For example, one of Truman's last acts while senator was to add his name as a sponsor of the "full employment" bill, drafted by Senator James E. Murray (D., Mont.), which is designed to help achieve the late President Roosevelt's goal of 60,000,000 jobs after the war.

In effect, the bill guarantees the "right to a job" for every person able and willing to work, and provides that the President each year shall frame a "national budget" which would contain estimates of the amount of employment likely to be provided during the year in private enterprise and government agencies. If that estimate fell short of full employment, the government would take whatever steps are necessary to fill the gap.

Another favorable straw in the wind was Truman's action in giving more authority to Secretary of Commerce Henry Wallace by signing an executive order which transferred the office of surplus property from the Treasury to Wallace's department.

**Favorable to FEPC**

An equally encouraging development was Truman's declaration at his press conference that he still stood by his record on the creation of a permanent Fair Employment Practices Committee to assure a square deal for Negro workers. The record shows that Truman favors such an FEPC with teeth in it for enforcement.

Meanwhile, as Truman swung into the duties of his high office he was assured of unqualified support from the leaders of all branches of organized labor.

President William Green of the AFL declared: "Franklin D. Roosevelt was president of all the people and so will be his successor, Harry S. Truman. The American people now give full support to President Truman."

**Murray Pledges Support**

President Philip Murray of the CIO—"We extend to you, President Truman, our solemn pledge that we will, together with all patriotic citizens of our country, dedicate ourselves to the completion of the domestic and foreign programs which our lost leader has so brilliantly and skillfully charted . . . The fruits of the late President Roosevelt's victories are within our grasp . . . we shall not lag in our determination to work with you so that those tasks may be successfully accomplished."

Chairman T. C. Cashen of the Railway Labor Executives' Association, for 19 rail unions—"There has never been a time when a greater burden and responsbility have been thrust upon a human being than has fallen upon your shoulders . . . We express our confidence in you to carry on the great task confronting you as President. Railroad employes have always been your friend . . . I extend to you the assurance of whatever cooperation and assistance we can give you in connection with the many problems you may have to solve."

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**FIRST GUN in the fight to enact a new price control law, that will really keep prices down and stamp out profiteering, has been fired by organized labor. Here is the first of a series of posters for union hall and plant bulletin boards, issued by the CIO Cost of Living Committee. (LPA).**

# Cutbacks Hit War Plants

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critical of the fact that the cutback came with such astounding suddenness in Los Angeles that its first disclosure to the men and women workers involved came through the newspapers.

More than 45,000 workers are employed at Douglas and Lockheed. A 50% cut in production usually means a 50% cut in personnel, according to WPB experts.

The B-24 cutback spread immediately to Chicago and Flint, Mich. More than 5,000 workers may lose their jobs at the Buick Melrose Park plant in Chicago. At Chevrolet Flint, 4,000 more may be discharged.

**To Layoff Immediately**

Kenneth Cole of Toledo, Washington representative of the United Auto Workers-CIO, said that both the Buick and Chevrolet plants "were so far ahead of their war schedules that the layoffs had to take place immediately, even though the completed assembly of the remaining B-24's won't be finished until early August."

Both AFL and CIO unions are hit by the cutbacks.

Sudden cutbacks were also hitting other industries, particularly shipbuilding on the West and East Coasts. From a peak employment of 600,000 in West Coast shipyards, the number has shrunk to 350,000 the AFL asserted.

**Sudden Cutbacks Opposed**

On the East Coast the shipbuilding cutbacks have similarly aroused the Industrial Union of Marine & Shipbuilding Workers-CIO. The "Shipyard Worker," IUMSWA paper, in its April 8 issue declared that the union "takes exception to these sudden and drastic cutbacks."

Similar cutbacks have affected unions in the electrical and ammunitions industries.

A rush of cutbacks is anticipated by big business. The "Wall Street Journal" (April 18) said in a page 1 headline that "Wave of Output Cuts in Aircraft Hints What Other Industries Face." The paper declared that "The Army and WPB... have set up a new schedule of arms cutbacks much sharper than previously announced. Cutbacks in the first quarter-year after Germany falls will be 24%, double earlier estimates; by 12 months after V-E day, cutbacks will be 50% compared with a prior 35% figure."

# Engineers Hold Dance

More than 200 persons attended the dinner and dance given by the Toledo Council, Society of Designing Engineers UAW-CIO held at the Storks Nest, Tuesday, April 24.

Guests who were present included Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gosser, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Schultz, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Avery, Mr. A. Hoffman, Detroit, Mich.; Joseph Tumm and Mr. Crothers, Detroit, Mich.; and Leslie Kaines.

John P. Courvoisier, in charge of arrangements for the party said that his organization hoped to make it an annual affair. He was assisted by George Howe, K. Say, Earl Fleming and Frank King.

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still higher pitch now that Toledo newspapers have brought out many of the angles relating to the Toledo market and the shortages which apparently are due to the illegal activities of local operators.

Sentiments heard last year when workers said that they would not forget the action of councilmen who voted against the ordinance, will undoubtedly play an important part in this fall's councilmanic election particularly in the case of Councilman Arthur Jurrus, a member of the AFL, who was endorsed by that organization and by Labor's Joint Committee for Political Action, the latter made up of both CIO and AFL members.

**To Repeat Request**

Local labor leaders believe that the black market ordinance defeated last year by a compliant council fearful of pressure from the Toledo Real Estate Board and Chamber of Commerce, should be re-introduced by the OPA Labor Advisory Committee for council's consideration now that the results of the black market operation have become a matter of increased public concern.

Councilman Tom Burke when questioned about his stand on the black market said, "I was for an ordinance to curb the black market last year and am for it now. If the OPA committee brings in such an ordinance, I will support and vote for it."

Labor representatives have expressed the view that if a black market ordinance were again presented it would be defeated by the same councilmen who voted against last year's ordinance and on the same grounds, that the act creating OPA will expire on June 30 of this year and must be renewed by congress.

Additional funds recently voted by congress to OPA to enable it to expand its enforcement facilities will bring about very little increase in the Toledo area force.

# Wise Prepares Wage Charts

Jack Wise, International UAW-CIO representative in Regional Director Richard Gosser's office is preparing a series of charts for skilled and production workers showing the wage and other differentials which exist in various UAW-CIO plants throughout the region.

When completed the charts will give a comprehensive picture of the wage structure of skilled and unskilled jobs in every category in the major share of the plants in Region 2-B and will become the basis for future contract negotiations.

One of the most complete charts of information bearing on all phases of individual plant contracts is in progress of preparation for the Auto-Lite Intracorporation Council. Eighteen plants scattered from Wisconsin to New York are included in the chart with data which will be used as the basis for individual plant contracts.

Many charts bearing on all phases of union activities have been prepared by Mr. Wise and have been of great value in organization work, contact negotiations and wage information.

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construction and repairs in order to maintain a constant level of employment.

5. Recognized that even under such a system the nature of shipbuilding operations might require intermittnet furloughs of certain trades ,and therefore urged a certain guaranteed annual wage insurance plan be set up to provide for such furloughed workers.

6. Urged that this guaranteed wage insurance fund be raised by a tax of three percent on the employers' payrolls, to be paid by the employers, until a reserve fund of $15,000,000 is established.

7. Stiplated that the guaranteed annual wage insurance fund be used to pay the difference between state unemployment insurance and guaranteed annual wage for those workers under the guaranteed annual wage plan who are temporarily furloughed, for the period in which they are idle.

8. Recommended that a merit rating system be established to encourage continuity of employment by the shipyards, whereby employers would be absolved from further contributions to the guaranteed annual wage insurance fund after its reserve is estableshed for so long as they maintain full employment.

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Woodtke, first vice-president; Edward Marchick, second vice-president; Charlotte Berthm, recording secretary and Wililam Klockowski, sergeant-at-arms.

In a brief talk following his installation as director, Lawrence Steinberg emphasized the fact that there was no discrimination in the union of Toledo and called attention to the fact that the organization was composed of Negroes, hWites, Jews, Catholics and Protestants and that all were treated alike.

Entertainment, movies, dancing and refreshments were enjoyed by the membership following the installation ceremonies.

# Political Action

*by* Clayton Rusch *Chairman*

*of the Political Action Committee*

With the death of Franklin Delano Roosevelt a tremendous responsibility has fallen upon the shoulders of our new President.

President Truman has stated that he intends to carry on the policies and program of the late President.

On behalf of the CIO-PAC I want assure President Truman of the full support of our organization.

The CIO-PAC supported the social program of Franklin D. Roosevelt. We believe his program for world peace and full employment would have brought about a peaceful and prosperous post-war world. We will give support and cooperation to our new chief executive in his task of bringing this program to full realization.

Those who oppose this social program: those who wish to protect the profits of the rich at the expense of the welfare of the workers, can be assured of the vigorous opposition of the CIO-PAC.

**STATE MEET**

On Saturday, April 14th I attended the Executive Board meeting of the Ohio PAC.

At this meeting plans were laid for consolidating the gains we have made and going forward to victory at the polls in 1945 and 1946.

The Ward and Township set-up of the Lucas County PAC will be applied in the other counties and districts of Ohio.

The same set-up in general will be applied on a National Scale under the direction of six regional directors who will work out of the National PAC office.

The second public meeting of the legislators from Lucas County was held last Saturday, April 21 at 2:00 P. M. in the City Council Chambers of the Safety Bldg.

The purpose of these meetings is to let the legislators know at first hand what sort of legislation the people want.

The next open meeting with the Lucas County Legislators will be held at the same place on Saturday, May 5th at 2:00 P. M. Everyone interested in Social Legislation should make it their business to be in attendance.

The Lucas County PAC now issues a by-weekly News Letter. The purpose of this News Letter is to serve as a guide on pieces of legislation on which our people should send communications to the legislators. This letter will be sent to all CIO shops and should be read at the regular meeting and then posted on the bulletin board.

On Monday, April 30th there will be a general membership meeting of the Lucas County PAC. This meeting will be in two sections. One at 10:00 A. M. for the second shift workers and one at 8:00 P. M. for all others. The meeting will be at 425 Winthrop St.

This is an open meeting and all interested people and groups are invited to attend. Place 425 Winthrop St.

# Telephone Workers May Delay Strike

NEW YORK, April 24 (LPA)—The threatened strike of long distance and local telephone workers here may be delayed, pending negotiations for "fringe" wage raises.

On April 16, the workers voted 13,813 to 653 for a strike. They are protesting the action of the Natl. War Labor Board, which whittled down from $5 a week to $3 a week proposed pay raises. The workers claim that the N. Y. Telephone Co. and the Am. Telephone & Telegraph Co. had agreed to a $4 a week raise; however, the companies failed to establish an adequate basis for the raise in their case before the WLB, the unions charge.

# WLB Textile Boards Set Up

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Two War Labor Board textile industry commissions have been set up, one at Boston and one at Atlanta, to decide all present and future cases involving the 55-cents-an-hour minimum and intra-plant-inequities guides recently established by the NLRB. Public members (chairmen) of the two boards have been named, but labor and industry members' names have not yet been announced.

# Beware the Bunco Boys

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Families of servicemen are warned by the War Department against the bunco artists who may try to cash in on their grief over lost dear ones. The bunco boys get the names from casualty lists and put on an act to sell the families "memorial" specialties, "hall of fame" notices or the like, which are unauthorized and never materialize, even though payment has been made by the sorrowing family.

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# Seeing Eye—W-O Unit

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Have you joined the PAC? Have you written to your State Senators and Representatives on the new Unemployment Bill, S. B. No. 94 and H. B. No. 167? Please don't stall as that rainy day isn't far off when you can use $25 for 26 weeks.

They should call this a great progressive tSate when they appropriate 45 million dollars to take care of our 119,000 aged citizens. Mr. Bricker said it was too much, and took $3,000,000 back and put it in the General Fund. These forgotten citizens are slowly being starved to death.

Franklin D. Roosevelt used to talk about the aged on his radio broadcasts, and now what will happen since that great friend of the common man has gone?

Did you know the average monthly pension for the aged is only $29.60 per month and runs as low as $1.90 per month. Ohio the progressive allows $30 per year for clothing, $26 per year for life insurance, $12 per year for medical care, $160 per year for food, $160 to $240 for shelter. Just put yourself in their place if you were 65 years or more of age.

You worked hard and faithfully for your community but you had hard luck or didn't save a great deal. So you eat three meals a day costing 45 cents in all. You have to live in a dirty room for $12 a month. You dare not get ill or go to a movie or buy an ice cream cone or soda. You just sit there and wait for the state investigator to come around and tell you how lazy you are. But you are old and you do not have long to live on your starvation diet so you can join your great benefactor Roosevelt who was your friend and told these cheap politicians of the State of Ohio to take care of their aged people and not starve them to death.

This can be cured by every worker joining the PAC and electing people to office who have red blood in their veins instead of ice water and a compassionate heart because some day they too will be too old to work. Think this over and ask your steward for a membership ticket. Let's build today for tomorrow.

## U. S. Sues A&P

**By Hugh Reichard**

DETROIT, April 21.—Criminal suit has been brought against the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company by the U. S. Department of Justice, on charges of hogging supplies to force down prices to farmers and of driving competitors out of business by selling below cost.

A&P, 16 of its officers, and 11 of its affiliates, including the Atlantic Commission Company are defendants in the action brought recently by the government in Danville, Illinois.

The vast corporation is specifically accused of depriving competitors of access to supplies by buying up entire fruit, vegetable and other crops, allowing others to share only after it gets all it wants of the crop.

A&P is further charged with fixing the prices paid to farmers and farm marketing cooperatives, to the detriment of farmers.

"Strategic buying" is also charged. For example, the chain may advertise berries at 15 cents a box. It will not, however, handle any that week. Next week when the farmers begin marketing berries in quantity, they will be shown the 15 cent ads and persuaded to part with their berries at a price considerably below the "retail" price of 15 cents.

The Justice Department asserts that "thousands" of food dealers, wholesalers, canners, processors, and manufacturers are being either injured or eliminated by AP tactics.

## Women Enjoy Fun Nights

The women of Local 12 held their first recreation and fun night, sponsored by the Local, Saturday, at the Y. W. C. A. Women representing many of the Units of Local 12 started the evening with swimming, badminton, table tennis, and other forms of recreation.

Following the recreation hour, a period of dancing and games was enjoyed by the members. The program will continue for three months.

Mrs. Mildred Jeffries, of Detroit, director of the Women's Bureau, International Union, UAW-CIO, was the principal speaker of the evening.

# Plaskon

## Powder Pounders

**By N. L. Bartlett**

When Brother Hudson (Raw Stock) gets astride his small mule one gets the idea that perhaps "Marring Sam" from Dog Patch is on the loose—Perhaps Mr. Schroeder doubts Mr. Keier's ability to handle his boys, or it may be that he is just a private detective, at any rate it is proving rather provocative to the boys in maintenance—If Brother Garner had a mouth like Joe E. Brown he probably would become quite a ball player—We will soon be able to send the boys in the armed service the box from UAW-CIO they have long waited for—I wonder how the servicemen would feel if they knew the hidden attitude certain biggies have that comes out only at the conference table—We extend sympathy to Mrs. John Kudzia at the recent death of her father.


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# Mather Unit Mutterings

**By Jim Foltz**

Charon Ritter, somewhere in France today, but formerly one of Mather's better bowlers left behind a capable understudy to carry on the family name in bowling. His wife, Ruth Ritter sports a seasons average of 152 with the Frankenmuth Beer ladies team.

Lorin Bricker has bade farewell to Mather Spring Co. He too has found he could better himself elsewhere.

Whitey Wiseman was observed engaged in signing up a new member for our unit. This man had just completed his thirty days.

Donations to the welfare fund have been coming in fine from some departments, but not so good in others. The following is a percentage breakdown by dept. Clip room 100%, Bumper room 100%, Forming dept. 66%, Forge room 63%, Machine shop 50%, Shear room 41%, Maintenance 21%, Finish room 20%, also 66% of the foremen have donated.

Andrew Search, formerly of the Perfection Spring and Brake Service Co. has became a Mather employee. He has entered the Linden New Jersey plant as a supervisor.

Is the Wednesday night UAW-CIO Mather bowling team getting in any practice for the forthcoming Mfg. tournament?

Why not make a special effort to attend the next regular Unit Meeting? These meetings are always important. Be there Sunday, May 13.

Since you forge room workers have flooded your time keeper with so many cigarettes he now states he would like to have some shotgun shells.

# Auto-Lite Unit News

Your Servicemen's Gift Fund Committee continues to receive letters from our fellow workers in the armed forces expressing their appreciation for the checks we send them and telling us how much it means to them to be remembered. We are happy, indeed, that we can, in this small way, express our solidarity with those who are giving all for our future.

This work depends, of course, on the contributions made by the boys and girls in the shop. A good response from everyone will assure that we can continue the work, and when you stop to think of it, this is not asking very much.

We wish to express our sympathy to the various Departments in which the following members worked who have given their lives for their country:

Joseph McGovern, Dept. 30
Clarence Taylor, Dept. 54
John Wing, Dept. 55
Bronislaus Dudek, Dept. 7
Robert Dye, Dept. 17
Harold Dickinson, Dept. 35
John E. Phillips, Dept. 17
Phil Schreiter, Dept. 55
Gerald Rex, Dept. 30

As the last check sent to these brothers is returned, it is used as an offering for a Mass or a bouquet of flowers for his Memorial Services. Sunday, April 22nd, 3:30 p.m. at Grace Reformed Church a Memorial Service was held for Gerald Rex. Also on the same day at St. Joseph's Church at Ida, Mich., Mass was said for John E. Phillips, at 10:00 a.m.

The Inspection Department and all the workers at Auto-Lite extend their sympathy to Sally Krerowicz on the loss of her husband who has been reported killed in action.

Servicemen's Gift Fund Comm.
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We are your buddies, Jim and Gus. We resolve to serve you in any capacity we possibly can. We hope that we may have the good will of all the workers in every plant especially the Auto - Lite workers.

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# Sparklets—Champion Unit

There will be an important meeting of the Acklin Unit this Sunday, April 29, at 2 p. m. This meeting was postponed from last Sunday. Some important things will be brought up at this meeting. Contract renewal will be one of the main discussions and the voting of the $1.00 welfare assessment which is badly needed for the welfare of our own people of the Unit.

We wish a speedy recovery for everyone on the sick and injured list.

See your committeeman at the shop and join the PAC. It costs but $1.00 a year and is worth while.

Why don't more of you good ball players get out there and practice? We need players for our team to be entered in the CIO League which will be in Class A.

Our April soldier collections will be taken Monday, April 30, and here's hoping that we have a better collection than last month which fell off badly.

Let's all pitch in and make a good showing in memory of our late beloved president, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and help make a speedy victory in the near future so that all our loved ones can come home to tay and also bring this conflict to the greatest victory for our Allies.

Here's hoping this reporter hasn't missed anyone in soliciting our Local 12 members for TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL.

The safety record at Acklin Stamping seems to be on the downgrade in the past month. Let's all do our best to see if we can remedy this destructive nuisance at the shop.

Improvements seem to be going on fast and furious. Hope the company goes back into the shop and just see how many more things need a little adjustment and improving at present.

Let's all write to our boys in service. They enjoy hearing from the folks at home and in the shop.

Members of the Acklin Unit have been called by selective service at a fast clip in the past month. Here's hoping for the best for those who have been called.

# The Acklinite

The consolation trophy was awarded to the Champion Uni' basketball team at the annual banquet of the Y. M. C. A. Industrial League. It will soon be on display in the main lobby trophy case.

The week of July 23 has been set as the date of the 1945 vacation. You will now have time to make your plans for spending this week of rest.

Sympathies are extened to the family of Otto Lindhorst, inspector from department F, who passed away last week after a short illness in St. Vincent's Hospital.

The second shift bowling season has come to the end. The girls' prize money was delayed until the rolloff between Scotch Tape and Oil Testers for second place. The Tampers took first place and the Scotch Tape team came in second due to the playoff. In the men's league the Plug Tampers were the winning team. The season was a huge success and we're hoping to have this group of good sports together next season.

The fishing duel between Harold "Slim" Brenner and Harry Gaeth has begun in earnest to see which can pull the biggest fish out of the muddy Maumee, but was Slim's face red when they arrived and found someone else had taken his boat and chained and locked it to a post. P. S. The boys returned disgusted.

Maybe the mill operator from department L-in-A who does all the hand waving at noon each day is practicing to be a politician.

Ruth Frey, the very thrilled operator from the automatic tampers, reports her sister home on a furlough from the U. S. Navy.

Harry Walters, Frank Kurdziel and Ollie Tucholski from department B bid the fellows in the department farewell last week when they entered the armed forces of our country. Good luck, boys.

The Champion was well represented at the ball park last Wednesday night to watch the Mud Hens in the opening game of the season. Was it only cold.

Without a doubt the employees who eat regularly in the cafeteria have noticed that we are now observing MEATLESS Fridays. But what is this we hear about the oversized steaks that were served to the foremen on Sunday, the 15th. Nice going Oh, if we were only foremen!

## Bottle Beer Gets Capped

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Community price ceilings on bottled beer will be established by district officers of OPA so that each community will buy at the same price in all stores. This is expected to curb possible hijacking that might arise from supply shortages during the summer.


Page's MILK


# Toledo Stamping Notes

Our Unit meeting date has been changed to the second Wednesday of each month. Day shift meets at 8:00 p. m. Night shift at 1:00 p. m. This seems to be a more satisfactory arrangement for everybody. We should now have better attendance.

An issue to be taken up at our May 9 meeting is the recommendation to place a fine on members who fail to attend meetings.

Several of the girls gave a pot luck supper last week at the home of Mrs. Joe Foist. The party was for all the girls at the shop. All report a fine time with Minnie and Harriet on the merry-go-round all the way home—what! No brass ring!

Florence Anglemyre got clipped recently, oops, we mean she had her tonsils out.

Have you joined the Veterans' Committee yet? You should. There are a lot of things you could do for the boys who are coming back. See one of your committee members today and get the details.

Monty arrived at work one day last week and discovered that he had absent-mindedly picked up a loaf of bread and put it under his arm instead of his lunch.

Who is the good looking trucker on the heavy line? As though you gals hadn't already noticed.

How about a party to initiate the new building, Eh, Ernie?

We hear that Alice and Chuck are that yay about each other. Tsk, Tsk!

# Canco Unit Opener

**By Ted Modrowski**

Word has reached us that our friend and fellow worker, Pfc. Leonard Piojda has been officially reported killed in action. Lenny, as you know, had been reported missing for the past eight monts. Lenny and many others like him have given their all so the people of our country can continue to breathe the air of freedom and security. It remains for us to see that those who have died shall not have died in vain. That is our obligation to Lenny and all his buddies. We can't let them down.

**NOT SO HOTRA**

The only difference between Floyd Madrzykowski and Frank Sinatra is their weight. (It must be so, Floyd told us.) He claims a few more contacts and his golden voice will be heard on a national hook-up. (Maiden Form?)

The American Can Unit League has concluded its bowling season and celebrated the success with a party. A late report informs us that all had a grand time, especially the people who were there.

In our failure to muster up 15 well and able men it has been necessary to withdraw the American Can Unit from the Local 12 Softball League.

Now that the bowling season is over Johnny Demski is again burning up the golf links. He says before the season is very old we will all be calling him "Byron" or "Slammin' Sammy." Can't tell, John, it might be spelled J-E-R-K-Y.

We've heard the word "chiseler" mentioned quite often up in the Machine Shop. To get a clear meaning of the word and it's application see "Skeex" Roginski.

Ben Maciejewski, after discovering that Jess Best had a smashed toe, challenged him to a bowling match. We know a fellow with two broken arms who might interest you.

Pfc. Max Lewandowski in a recent V-mail letter writes that he met Sgt. John Stanko in Germany. We're looking forward to the day when they both meet with us in Parlor A.

# I See By The Papers

**By Ruth Taylor**

When I looked in the Sunday paper at the pictures of the devastation wrought at Cologne and of the great Cathedral standing over the ruined city, my mind went back nearly twenty years and I saw the same scene in memory as I had seen it then in reality.

It was the day before Easter. One of those spring days of scudding clouds and sudden bursts of sunlight. I was standing across the street from the Cathedral, looking at the great bulk against the gray sky. Then through the massive doorway came the Cardinal in his scarlet robes. As he came down the steps, a group of little children, who had been playing in the square, ran up to him. He stood smiling at them, his hand resting on the golden curls of the tiniest who had snuggled up close to him. Just then the clouds broke, the sun came out and a shaft of light silhouetted the little group. Around their heads in a sudden swirl from the eaves, circled a flock of pigeons.

As I looked at the pictures in the paper, I saw again that scene. The Cardinal, I knew, had vainly fought and been fought by the Nazis. He had died warning his people against them. Died, some men said, from a broken heart. I wondered what had become of those laughing children and what had been their fate. Death in battle or the greater death-in-life of Nazi hatreds and sins against their country.

I remembered, too, the half dozen signs in Cologne marking where bombs had fallen last war, and which were put up to keep resentment and desire for revenge alive in German hearts—the eternal German alibi, that forerunner of the evil to follow. Today only the Cathedral remains unscathed.

**JUST AMERICANS**

In the picture in the paper of the Cathedral steps, there where the Cardinal had stood, were three American officers. If one were to judge by their names, they were of three different faiths and of three different national backgrounds. But that unimportant detail was not in the news account. They were just Americans — symbolizing American equality and the united effort of all faiths to free religion from the shackles of Nazism.

Across the page from them were photographs of eight soldiers—their names as varied as the towns from which they came. Grinning boys, with that inextinguishable spirit that marks the American, no matter what his origin. They'd had a job to do—and they'd done it. They were fighting not only for their freedom but for the other fellow's right to be free.

Just a couple of newspaper photographs — and a memory. But to me it seemed there was in it a prophecy of a new world in which evil would be vanquished and brotherhood would reign. And I think the Cardinal knows—and is glad.


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# National Supply Unit News

Ed. Fitzgerald collecting for the Serviceman's Fund had to promise Ray Burris of the time dept. that he would bring in the serviceman Ray's money was sent to before he would kick in. But he did—we hope.

We are hoping that more fellows and girls will come out for softball team practice. Report at 6:45 p. m. at Merrill Field, between Cone and Central, off Auburn Ave. Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays.

That cracking sound you might hear behind you will be Al Lohbauer trying to get the kinks out of his aching body after practicing with the team.

National Supply is going to have its own blood donor club. All who want to do their bit, and most will, will be given a card to go to Robinwood Hospital and have their blood typed. We need lots of cooperation as there are calls each week for this type of service. Jim Durliat is in charge so give him your help.

Louis Bateman finally convinced his foreman that he can't take it.

After being leader for a day "Shorty" Hoggman, dept. 84 would like to come to terms with someone possessing either a pair of crutches or a wheel chair.

Sgt. Bernie Winfrey and Pfc. Leroy Trimmer recently visited in the shop during their 30-day furlough.

**COME TO PAL**

Chief Inspector Fadden apparently doesn't know what goes in around our plant. This was shown by his blundering statement relative to seniority after the new seniority had been in effect for several weeks. He thinks that the plant management made a grave mistake in agreeing to plant seniority, then he made another bigger mistake of speaking to management about it. Maybe he is convinced now, by the big bosses that he isn't running the plant, but is just a small cog in a big wheel. Future changes in his department will be made according to the contract and not according to Fadden.

The reason why Clift Ritterbach has been going around with his chest sticking out is because of a new addition to his family. The kid, says Clift is a constant violator of the curfew.

W. Harris hopes to be back with his buddies soon. "Hummer" formerly served on the executive committee.

A directive from WLB to the management grants wage increases to grinders, radial drill press operators and time keepers beginning April 23. All will receive retroactive pay.

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## Chickens Come Home

Chickens are coming home to roost and city council knows it.

Last Monday night, councilmen in a left-handed and belated gesture of concern over the welfare of the citizens of Toledo let it be known that it was aware that a black market existed in the Toledo area.

Solicitude on the part of council over possible damage to the health of Toledo citizens because of contaminated black market meat would be most touching at this time, had council shown a similar concern over the economic welfare of the people on March 20, 1944, when by a vote of seven to two, it rejected a black market ordinance requested and sponsored by the OPA Labor Advisory Committee.

Seven members of city council, Bame, Czelusta, Jurrus, Lehman, Millard, Thacher and Mayor Roulet, all chose on March 20, 1944, to vote against the earnest pleas of hundreds of Toledo workers, who, on two occasions crowded into the council chamber to ask council to pass legislation similar to that which had been approved by a number of other cities throughout the country.

Seven members of city council preferred to listen to the Toledo Real Estate Board and the Chamber of Commerce, both of whom hypocritically said they were not opposed to the ordinance, but thought that in view of the fact that Congress had to again consider it before its expiration date at the end of June, that nothing should be done.

And council was happy to go along on that lame excuse. Councilmen Bame, Jurrus and Mayor Roulet who had been endorsed by labor in 1943 voted against the first piece of legislation which united labor in Toledo presented to them. Councilman Jurrus is a member of the AFL and posed as a representative of the workers.

Of all the councilmen, only Tom Burke and Michael DiSalle had the courage to vote in favor of adopting the black market ordinance of 1944.

Time and events often prove men's errors, and in the present black market situation city council has something on its hands which it cannot laugh off in the face of its action of last year. Yes, the chickens have come home to roost—black market chickens.

Thank God there are no ceiling prices on politicians and no black market, the supply is more than equal to the demand and its only six more months until the fall election.

## Don't Stop Now

Just because the Yanks are winning in Europe isn't any certain sign the war is over. Remember there are still the Japs.

And remember, it takes ships, tanks, guns, shells and aircraft to swing the final blow. More than this, it takes money to finance the completion of the war. You can continue to do your part and you should do your part by buying war bonds. Don't stop now.

## A Tribute To F. D. R.

Home to the land where his mother bore him,
By the placid Hudson's wooded hills,
Laid to rest as the drums roll oe'r him,
While a sorrowing nation in reverence stills.

Who was this man whom the nations mourn,
Who sounded the call in our nation's plight,
Who girded our loins in the hour of peril,
To lead the people in freedom's fight.

Who lived to see our avenging sword,
The enslaved of earth from their bonds release,
And before the helm from his hands had fallen,
Laid the foundation for lasting peace.

Who was this man who served our people,
With want and privation on every hand,
And taught us "we must be our brother's keeper,"
And brought prosperity back to our land.

Who braved the wrath of the high and mighty,
To give the worker a fighting chance,
And held to his dreams of a "worker's era"
In spite of the plutocrats "can's and can'ts."

Born of ancestry steeped in tradition,
Wealth and position heir to his clan,
He fought against greed and lowly condition,
His life was pledged to the common man.

Struck down in the midst of titanic battle,
He showed us the way to a better world,
His thoughts and deeds will be felt beyond him,
When the flags of peace are once more unfurled.

'Tis for us, the living, to carry on,
In the work so nobly begun,
Till lasting peace shall reign forever,
And the Age of the Common Man is won.

—Ralph Brown.

# What's New?

By *Edward Duck*
*On Leave With The Army*

**Editor's note: Eddie Duck's column has been missing for the past several weeks while his Uncle got him fixed up for a boat ride. He says that he will be appearing as regularly as possible and promises several more columns in the next few days.**

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**HI FOLKS**

We are at sea, but tomorrow we land—in France . . . JUST WHERE I'm not allowed to say. Everyone is glad of it . . . landing, I mean.

I think the next few months will be the most educational ones I'll ever experience. Now that I'm in it, I wouldn't want to miss it for anything. Its not fun, but it is a great experience. I regard the whole thing as one exciting adventure, and money couldn't purchase the experience, besides, who'd want to pay for it anyhow when the draft boards are willing to furnish it for free.

Yep, tomorrow will be a big day. Back there in Toledo everything will probably be about the same as yesterday and the day before. But here, we will be foreigners in a strange new country, and every "tomorrow" will probably be bringing something different. You know, I don't think it has been half as much fun being a civilian during the past two or three years. It seemed as if all the life was taken away when so many young guys left the scene. The old town will be pepped up when they come back.

That seems to me now to have been the whole trouble for the past few years, almost everyone was gone. What I am bemoaning this for I don't know, but think how the young girls must feel.

**READING**

I have been doing a lot of reading! Those two-bit pocket editions really are good. Yesterday I sat out on the top deck reading "Arsenic and Old Lace." I would burst out laughing every few minutes and the rest of the guys sat around looking at me like they thought I was nuts. Maybe I am, I'd have to be to enjoy this boat ride.

I also have an uppity-puppity piece of literature . . . "The Autocrat at the Breakfast Table," by Oliver Wendell Holmes. Can that guy coin expressions and throw similies and metaphors all over the place. He wrote one article in defense of the "Mutual Admiration Society" as he called it, which I would like to recommend to some people I know.

But enought of this. Who am I anyway—Hemmingway, Deems Taylor or Pvt. Duck? Back to your pup-tent, Dogface!

**ANTICIPATION**

Boy, when this thing's all over it sure will be nice to take advantage of all the opportunities there will be! No gasoline rationing, good steaks, summer resorts booming, no overtime to monopolize the week-ends, and a general feeling of relief for everyone—those who are fighting, and what is just as important—those who are doing the waiting and worrying at home.

This trip makes me think of the last meal that I had at home. It was a swell meal, but me, (what a dope I turned out to be) couldn't eat but a little bit. I lost my appetite from liquid refreshments, and now, I still have visions of that chow steaming before my hungry eyes. My thirst wasn't hindered any, but I'll still settle for a good meal.

It's time to close, but I just want to say one thing—remember, the good days are all ahead for us so don't let anything get you down. I'll be writing my column regularly now and hope that they can appear each week. It might be a little GI in tone, but I can never forget that I am a member of the Auto-Lite Unit and Local 12, and still think that the UAW-CIO is the greatest union in the world.

Believe me folks, most of the fellows who belonged to unions before entering the Army are looking forward to the day when they can return to their homes and jobs and take up where they left off. There is a big job to do now on this side of the world, but we still have plenty to do at home and we'll do it when we get back.

# It's News To Me . . .

By *O. J. Pecord*

**BIG NEWS**

Biggest news of the week is, of course, the San Francisco conference from which will be patterned the shape of things to come.

Even as the conference gets under way, newspapers from coast-to-coast are prominently displaying a series of gruesome pictures taken in German concentration camps captured by the rapidly advancing Allied armies.

Now I am not one to question the reliability of these pictures or to doubt for a moment that the atrocities which they depict are real and not mere propaganda. At the same time, I wonder if a conference which is supposed to prepare the world for peace and settlement of international disputes without resorting to arms, will not be motivated by the sentiments which such scenes evoke.

What these pictures show is really nothing new. In 1932, shortly after Hitler came to power, yes, even before he came to power, the Jews of Germany had been made the scapegoats of the Nazis. They were blamed for everything from the first World War to their success in business and the learned professions. No evil was too great to hang upon the Jew.

Concentration camps in Germany have existed since 1932 into which Jews, labor leaders, liberals, known or suspected enemies of Naziism and other victims of Hitler's insane system were thrown and systematically beaten, starved, shot, quartered and otherwise tortured, killed, or rendered mentally unbalanced by the cruelties they were forced to undergo.

As far back as 1933 American periodicals were carrying stories about Nazi atrocities and crying out that something should be done to put an end to them. Boycotts of German goods were resorted to in order to bring pressure to bear upon the German government, but the only result obtained was to make the seizures, torturings and killings more difficult to discover because of the stealth exercised by the Nazis.

**GOVERNMENTS AWARE**

Governments of the other nations were well aware of what was going on in Germany, including the rearmament of the nation and the growing strength of its capable army, but the governments of the world, soft in peace, could hardly bring themselves to believe that another World War would come so soon.

Blinded leaders in England and America stuck their necks into the sands of unreality and preached the message of isolationism, a mind-your-own-business philosophy which was swallowed hook, line and sinker by millions of people who shied away from war and bloodshed with a deep-seated and natural fear.

Few indeed were they who read the signs correctly and had the courage to say what was in their minds. The same press which is today eulogizing the late President Roosevelt, grasped upon his Chicago "Quantine the Aggressor Nations" speech to label Roosevelt as a war monger, while great journalists went on to say almost on the eve of Germany's march into Poland, "there will be no European war this year."

Today, millions of Americans at home, in the armed forces in Europe and in the Pacific viewing the actual results of warfare, its cruelties and atrocities, shake their heads and ask themselves the question — "Why?"

Why must there be war? Why must nations periodically set out to compose their differences by violence and mass killing. Why is it that men and nations cannot live in peace? But men ask in vain and yearn for something which in their innermost hearts they have no confidence of ever securing.

**LASTING PEACE**

While tanks still rumble on dealing out death and destruction, while men kill, while city after city is rendered into shapeless, hopeless rubble, and as victory stares up in the face, mortal men representing the nations of the world are today seated at a conference table to talk of peace.

Peace, lasting peace, is the aim and hope of the world, yet, we are certain that somewhere in this world there are people who have no desire for peace, because in their hearts and minds are sentiments of greed, of revenge, of a craving for power which cannot be satisfied by peaceful methods.

While men ponder upon peace, the basis for future wars may be laid, for unless the nations of the world are willing to look economic facts in the face and with honesty and courage deal with those facts in sincerity and justice, there can be no lasting peace.

There can be no lasting peace as long as there are millions of unemployment, or employment at starvation wages. There can be no lasting peace as long as the world is made up of have and have-not nations. There can be no lasting peace as long as great nations or small ones are composed of have and have-not populations. To expect peace in the face of economic injustices is to hope in vain.

And in the face of the realities of the present, the history of the past and the expectations of the future, there are some who even today are skeptical of that future. They are, for the most part, silenced but not convinced, for to utter a word of despair and show a lack of confidence almost amounts to treason.

The world of the future is already being reflected here in our own country, where even today people of power and influence with a reactionary turn of mind are laying the groundwork for their postwar plans. They are seeking to divide the workers, to set white gainst black, nationality group against nationality group, Gentile against Jew, Protestant against Catholic, worker against worker, labor leader against labor leader and in the doing forward their own selfish interest.

And in this setting, in a world of bloodshed, horror, and scramble for pelf and power, the San Francisco conference aims at peace and a better world.

# Servicemen's Letters

## He Gets Around

Dear Brother Dick,

Just received another of those very nice gift boxes, also a copy of Willys Unit Eagle. It makes me very happy to know that you and the rest at Local No. 12 and Willys-Overland are thinking of us fellows in the service and also to know that we have such a fine gentleman as you back home to work and fight for our rights. I am proud of such a fine director and to know that we have a man back home who does and will continue to do all he possibly can for his members.

I believe the last time I wrote you I was in France. Since then I have been in Luxenbourg and now Germany. We are nearing the very core and back home of Germany, the home of the so-called, "Master Race."

Don't suppose many of the fellows are left in Dept. 773 but I would enjoy the pleasuse of shaking hands again with all. Please give my best regards and best wishes to all. Thanks again for the very nice box. Until I have the pleasure of hearing from you again I remain,

947 Q. M. RHD. Co. A.P.O. 403
Sincerely,
Pfc. Ray L Brown 35227275
947 Q. M. RHD. Co.
A. P. O. # 403.
c/o P. M., New York, N. Y.

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## Just In Time

Dear Mr. Gosser:

I received your very nice letter mailed Sept. 26, 1944 yesterday and was very glad to hear from you.

I also got a box from the Willy's Wednesday.

I want to thank you both for the nice letter and also for making the gift boxes possible. It seems they always come just when they're needed the most. I haven't received but three letters since I have been here. (Two weeks tomorrow) and very few at the last base. The letter sure helped my morale and I haven't been paid due to transfers and the box sure came in handy. Was supposed to get paid today and I received the box Wednesday so you can imagine how badly I needed the cigarettes and other articles. I have been receiving the boxes regularly for the last 2½ years. Sometimes there is a little delay but I always get them and I'm sure the other boys are getting their too.

Thanks for the letters, papers and the gift boxes. Thanks for the splendid way you all are getting the material out to us and if you keep up the good work as I'm sure you will, we will do our best to be home in '45.

Cpl. T. O. Trader
M.A.C.S.—5 Per. Grp.
San. 8A Miramar
San Diego 45, Calif.

"We must make sure in all that we do that there is no breakdown or cancellation of any of the great social gains that we have made in these past years . . There must be no retreat from any of the social objectives — conservation of resources, assistance to agriculture, better housing, regard for the rights of labor and help to the underprivileged."

Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1940.

# On The Beam

By *Clayton W. Fountain*

Franklin D. Roosevelt was the only man for whom I ever voted for President of the United States of America.

Four times I went to the polls, in 1932, 1936, 1940 and 1944, to cast my ballot for FDR, because I was convinced that he had the interest of the working people in his heart.

The first three times that I marked my X in the circle at the top of the Democratic ticket, I did so without reservations, feeling that I was casting a vote for progress and democracy.

In 1944 I had a few doubts. It seemed to me that FDR was slipping; that he was making too many compromises with people who did not really believe in democracy; that he was permitting his concern for the forest to over-shadow his original interest in the destiny of the individual tree.

But still I voted for him again in 1944.

**SELF-STYLED MILITANTS**

Some of my self-styled militant friends in the labor movement always chided me for voting for the late President.

They tried to sell me the notion that FDR was a son of the capitalist class; that he did not really and sincerely desire to improve the lot of the common man; that he was deliberately misusing the faith in him which working people demonstrated each time they swarmed to the polls to return him to the highest office in the land.

They told me that FDR was interested only in preserving the power of the capitalists in this country, and that his political motive was to increase the size of the crumbs in order to keep the workers from getting their hands on the cake.

But I rejected the cynical counsel of my militant friends and voted for FDR anyway, because I believed, along with millions of other workers, that he sincerely wanted to brighten the lives of the working people.

**DEFINITE GAINS**

The American working people made many definite gains under the Roosevelt Administration, including the Wagner Act, Social Security, insurance of bank deposits, public housing, rural electrification, TVA, soil conservation and other progressive New Deal measures.

I believe that the leadership of the late President was largely responsible for the achievement of these vital social gains. The fact that he led the fight for these measures seems to me to prove that he was a democrat at heart.

The workers instinctively sensed that his heart was in the right place. That is why they supported him at the polls when the going was tough and the chips were down. They knew that, in the big fights over really important issues, he was just about 99 per cent in their corner. It seemed to them that he was really their guy.

**IMPERFECT WORLD**

Sometimes I thought that FDR was wrong. I said so in this column. I have written pieces pointing a finger at him and taking him to a task for acts with which I personally disagreed.

But this is an imperfect world, and no man in it is perfect.

The important thing to remember about FDR is that he believed in the democratic system by which Americans labor to improve this imperfect world in which we live, and he knew that the right of any citizen to criticize the President is basic to this democracy of ours.

During the years of his leadership ,and with his active aid and approval, labor has gained much strength with which to wage the continuing battle for a better and more democratic world.

To insure his resting in peace, and to live up to his faith in us, we must fight on for a democratic world of freedom, plenty, peace and brotherhood.

# Regional Views

By *Richard Gosser*
*Director Region 2B, UAW-CIO*

We are coming into a serious time in this country when its future is going to depend upon the honesty and conscience of a group of people who represent us in our government.

I have been reading about production cutbacks on the East and West coasts in the aircraft industry and know that as time goes on and more men are released from the war that these cutbacks will bring about considerable unemployment.

I also know that the employment of the future will be, dependent upon what kind of a peace comes after this war, when governments and nations settle down to the job of trying to make an honest and decent living.

This week the nations of the world are meeting in a conference out in San Francisco which doesn't look too good for American labor. While the workers will be represented by certain key people, they will be there only as "consultants" and not to play any part in forming the policies which will come out of the meeting.

Our country, the land which has been so productive and armed not only ourselves, but the rest of our allies because of the effort of the workers, will not give American labor a voice at San Francisco. Our country from which came millions of other workers armed with guns to hasten the end of Naziism admits the representatives of the workers only as spectators and consultants.

**THE PATTERN**

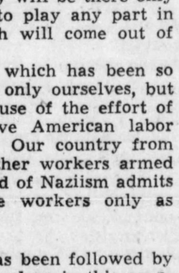
If the pattern which has been followed by the conference now taking place in this country means anything, we of organized labor cannot look with too much confidence to the actual peace conference. If we are shoved aside now at San Francisco, I wonder what will happen to our representatives when the nations of the world gather to write the lasting peace which our late President Roosevelt promised us.

Labor from many other countries is represented in the present meeting and will have a voice in what is being decided upon in preparation for the peace conference which is still to come.

I don't pretend to know what sort of a peace is going to come, any more than the workers knew what was coming after the last war, but I do know that unless labor is given a place at the peace table and is treated as its importance shows it should be treated, that we cannot have confidence in any peace which will come from the meeting of the victorious and defeated nations at the end of the war.

If labor doesn't get a square deal now and in the future peace plans of the world, there will be no lasting peace.

# From The Desk of Melvin Schultz



*President, Local 12, UAW-CIO*

**WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION**

Within the United States Department of Labor there is a Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Division. Under this Division is the administrator who sees that the Fair Labor Standards Act and the Wash-Healey Public Contracts Act are properly administered. The local branch for this service is located in downtown Toledo in the Old Post Office Building.

We, also, find a Women's Bureau and a Children's Bureau in this Department of our Government. These two Brueaus are primarily advisory in their nature. The Children's Bureau; however, is of considerable benefit in the administration of the child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

The Division of Labor Standards provides information and technical assistance in the fields of industrial safety, health, working conditions, industrial relations and labor legislation. This Division has a technical staff to aid labor and management in applying accident prevention programs for specific industries in plants. A staff is provided which prepares materials for labor relations training programs for stewards and foremen. Manuals and publications are prepared by this Division concerning labor laws, safety and health and other industrial problems and may be obtained from the Division upon request.

The Fair Labor Standards Act which is one of the basic laws for Government labor relations was enacted on June 25, 1938. This act prohibits child labor and provides for minimum wages and overtime payment for employees engaged in Interstate Commerce or the production of goods for Interstate Commerce. This, also, includes the production of goods which will become a part of other goods to be moved in Interstate Commerce. There are a few exceptions where specified groups of employees are exempt from both the wage and overtime provisions. For instance supervisors who are classified as executive or administrative employees are exempt under the act. The definition of exempt groups is subject to court interpretation and; therefore, is changed from time to time.

The Fair Labor Standards Act requires considerable detailed explanation as well as a few examples and in my next column, I will attempt to go into sufficient detail for each of our members to understand the acts sufficiently clear for his own benefit.

"Confident is our Republic's 150 years of successful resistance to all subversive attempts upon it, whether from without or within, nevertheless we must be constantly alert to the importance of keeping the tools of American democracy up to date. It is our responsibility to make sure that the pleoples' Govenment is in condition to carry out the people's will, promptly, efficiently, without waste or lost motion."

—Franklin D. Roosevelt, Special Message to Congress, April 25, 1939

# "Tomorrow—The World!" Is Challenging Entertainment!

By Burny Zawodny

No more timely, mature or challenging film has ever made its appearance in our town than "Tomorrow, The World!" Lester Cowan's magnificent new movie which is now showing at the Valentine Theater.

I confess I went to see the film with some trembling and trepidation. I had seen the stage play when it was here in Toledo and remembered it pleasently as a hard-hitting, plain spoken drama that clothed one of the most burning issues of our time in the palatable trappings of entertainment. I was frankly concerned that the film version couldn't be so outspoken. This afternoon I am happy to admit that all of my fears were only the figment of night-before-last's hangover. Mr. Cowan has done more than well by "Tomorrow, The World."

Beginning with a superb cast, straight through the details of production "Tomorrow, The World" emerges as one of the truly outstanding film documents of our time. It deals with that problem which soon every thinking American must face—and solve: what are we to do with the Germans, especially the German children The answer in "Tomorrow, The World!" is no glib passing out of a few pretty words. It cuts to the heart of an issue, which, if clumsily handled may mean the repetition of the fight against the forces of death and destruction in which we are now engaged.

The story is delineated through the effect of a Nazi-trained youth upon a middle-class American family with whom he visits. The boy's lack of adjustment to the democratic life; his flaunting of every decent principle of civilized living; his practice of the Nazi "morality" of prevarication, deceit, cheating — adds up to a straight-forward, terrifying true film.

Fredric March and Betty Field who are co-starred in the film are superb as the lovers who find their romance and their very lives endangered by the kind of menace presented by the boy.

Having seen the film, it is difficult for me to believe that Skippy Homeier who plays Emil Beuckner in the film, a part which he first created in the stage production is in real life a normal, healthy, happy American boy. The Broadway critics unanimously called the boy, among other things, "monstrous little brat," "Nazi friends," etc. I can understand why now. It is perhaps the highest compliment to an actor's skill for a critic to be able to say he would have cheerfully wrung the little so and so's neck if he could have laid hands on him. I assure you that was my exact feeling.

## Seen On A Hollywood Movie Set

HOLLYWOOD — Eddie "Rochester" Anderson is a janitor in M-G-M's "For Better, For Worse," and stops at the apartment of June Allyson. Robert Walker, potraying June's husband, answered the doorbell. Rochester is startled, seeing a man in civvies, for he expected to see a sailor, not knowing Bob was given a medical discharge.

After a preliminary "oh, oh!" of surprise, Rochester innocently says, "Ain't no skin off my hide, but her husband's getting back tomorrow. He's a sailor.

"That's what you think," Bob answers ruefully.

In the script, Rochester's reply is "Ain't what I think. It's what she said," but he changes it to the line which has helped make him famous. With a knowing roll of his eyes, he says.

"It's what she said. She said it. That's what the lady said."

Bob breaks up completely. Director Richard Whorf starts to laugh, too. So do the electricians, grips and everyone else on the set. Soon there is a mild state of hysteria. Whorf lets the company laugh itself out for five minutes.

## Coming April 29th

The King of Trumpet, Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong is coming to the Civic Auditorium for a Spring Frolic in the greatest show and dance of 1945 (this picture was taken from the scene of Warner Bros. "Going Places")

# News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

## Playing At Paramount

Tommy Tucker Time is now being presented by the Paramount Theater with added attraction in person on stage Bonita Granville Hollywood's vivacious star.

## Bruce Cabot Is In Need of Civilian Attire

HOLLYWOOD, — Bruce Cabot's civilian wardrobe took a beating on the home front while the actor was overseas waging war against the Axis.

Bruce, who has resumed his Hollywood career in Paramount's "Salty O'Rourke" after two years' service in the Army Air Forces which took him to North Africa and the Italian and Sicilian fronts, left his civvies in storage with a friend when he donned the uniform of Mr. Whiskers.

Recently he checked up on the wardrobe and found that the moths had moved in on the mufti, buzzbombing their way through some fifteen suits, four topcoats and assorted slacks and sports jackets.

The actor estimated the loss at $3000.

## New M. C. Scores Miami Inn Hit

Master of fun is the title handed Ronnie Sterling, new M. C. at the Miami Inn. Ronnie who recently returned from the war has proved to be a hit everywhere he has been and scores another smash with him funny remarks and up-to-the minute patter.

An All-Star show composed of Peggy Woods, charm dancer; Florence Holgate, character tap dancer; Betty Crone, blues singer and Patty Arnold who shows some really good acrobatics fills out an eceptionally good program. Shows are at 8:00 and 10:00 p. m.

Al. St. John and Ben Levine extend a special invitation to their CIO friends to see this week's program. Admission free before 7:00 p. m. An added attraction is excellent steaks and chicken.

## Jack Benny And His Radio Pals

The Jack Benny program of Sunday, April 29, 7 p. m. EWT over NBC will be back in Hollywood after several weeks of broadcasting from the Palm Spring area.

According to the script, new neighbors moved within a few doors of Benny, and upon his return it created a situation which involved Jack, Rochester and, of course, the other members of his trounpe. Mary, Don and Phil will attempt to hold Jack within the bounds of good neighborliness, but Benny may not be so easy to keep cool. "If these new neighbors can stand the boss's fiddle playing," says Rochester, who never ducks an interview, "then Mr. Benny can make a concession here or there."

"It is a vicious lie," said Mary Livingstone when questioned by a reporter, "that Jack is mad because the new kids set up a lemonade stand nearby. I'm sure that Jack feels that there's enough lemonade to be sold for more than one stand on the block."

All of this will in no way interfere with Larry Stevens' singing his selection for Sunday, "I Should Care."

## Star Starts New Vogue In Pajamas

HOLLYWOOD — Lucille Bremer introduced a new between-scenes barb on the set of Metro - Goldwyn - Mayer's "Yolanda and the Thief."

"I call 'em barber pole pajamas," Lucille said laughingly, showing off her trim figure in a snug fitting waist. Horizontal stripes, contrasted with broader areas of vertical stripes to give a weskit effect in front. Wide striped trouser legs shirred onto the low-fitting waist balance a business-like collar and long, cuffed sleeves.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# SPORTS

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## From The Rule Book

By Wilbert "Birdie" Rule
Director of Education and Recreation

It seems to me that baseball owes something to those great athletes who are placed in its Hall of Fame. For instance, a man like Babe Ruth, who has done so much toward the popularity of the game, and who was so instrumental in elevating it to the high standard which it now enjoys, should be given some assignment connected with the sport where he could make a decent living and at the same time perpetuate public interest in the national pastime. I think that such an appointment would return big dividends.

"Birdie" Rule

Even race horses which are appreciated by their owners for the amount of good which they did for racing and also for the owner's purse, are retired to a life of ease and pastures of green when their racing days are over. And that is only horseflesh! A human being certainly deserves more consideration than an irrational animal.

But baseball heroes are similar to heroes of other sports, the. are in the limelight today, and forgotten men tomorrow. The high moguls of the sport should realize that the treatment of such members of the Hall of Fame is watched with much interest. We don't want to think that baseball is operated on only a commercial basis, but also on a humanitarian basis.

Fortunately for the poor race horses, their owners are not like the baseball bigwigs or we would see Man-O-War, Exterminator, and some of the other famous race winners pulling coal wagons, milk wagons, or delivery trucks over the city pavement in order to earn their bag of oats.

So let us exhort the directors of organized baseball to loosen their purse strings, give suitable employment to those responsible for the popularity of the game, and keep the baseball heroes in baseball!

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Byron Nelson, the great golfer, says that the best way to learn the game is to start with the wee shots. That is, to practice first with a chip shot, or even a putt. When you have this down to perfection, then move back and try the short approach shot and so forth until you are getting the long drives as easily as the short putt.

This seems to me like sound logic, but most of the beginners want to start right off "murdering" the drive.

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I read with utter disgust the report that enough rubber has been released to Canadian tennis ball manufacturers to provide a double supply of balls to tennis players this season. I may be out of line, but I would like to know why this great nation of ours cannot supply our players with enough new, live tennis balls to allow them the proper amount of exercise and enjoyment which the game affords.

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There is a soccer team in Seattle, Washington, made up entirely of prisoners of war. They were admitted into a league, received the applause of the spectators, and played into the championship. Two years ago these same men who are enjoying our playing fields, our cheers, our good food, and our athletics in general, were fighting against and killing our soldiers in North Africa.

Sometimes I don't understand the American way of quickly forgetting and forgiving serious grudges.

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Have you noticed the classy, new score cards and civic magazine sold at Swayne Field this year? It is further proof that the Toledo Mud Hens are getting into "big time". It contains a short history of Toledo and many interesting facts of the city. In the booklet may be found also rules for scoring and helpful hints to enable the fan to enjoy the game more.

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It may be just a coincidence, but it seems to me that there was just a bit of fate connected with the death of Ernie Pyle, last week on Ie Island. That great war news reporter wrote millions of words during his lifetime, but when the end came, it was at a place spelled with the two most used letters on his typewriter, I and E. Coincidence?

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Harry Stuhldreher, one of Notre Dame's famous "Four Horsemen", and now athletic director of the University of Wisconsin, says that there will be a sports boom after the war, but it will be competitive interest instead of spectator interest.

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One of the popular forms of diversion, and one that gives real pleasure to wounded veterans is fly-tieing and lure-making. This at the same time creates more interest in that favorite outside sport—fishing.

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**TRUTH IN POETRY**

Loudly blew the April blast,
The frozen robin fell
And twittered, breathing his last,
Spring has come, like h—l.

## Under Ohio Skies

AS TOLD BY The CONSERVATION DIVISION

CRAPPIES ~ SOME WEIGHING MORE THAN A POUND ~ ARE BEING RELEASED IN PUBLIC FISHING WATERS.
THIRTY TONS OF FISH ARE NETTED ANNUALLY FROM MEANDER LAKE FOR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS AMOUNT ~ 90% ARE WHITE CRAPPIES.
Bob Hines
A FREAK BULLHEAD TEST-NETTED IN LAKE ALMA GREW THE USUAL NUMBER OF BARBELS ~ OR "WHISKERS" ~ BUT EACH ONE HAD SPLIT AT THE TIP AND GROWN EXTRA LONG.
FISH MEN CLAIM IT IS THE ONLY SUCH CASE CALLED TO THEIR ATTENTION.
KINGBIRDS ALWAYS DEFEND THEIR NESTS AGAINST HAWKS AND CROWS ~ AND ONE KINGBIRD ACTUALLY ATTACKED AN AIRPLANE FLYING LOW OVER THE NEST
4-16-45

## CAUGHT LARGEST MUSKIE

Percy Haver, of Detroit, Michigan, caught a 62½ pound muskie in Lake St. Clair in the summer of 1940. It is considered the world's record muskellunge catch and was 56½ inches long, with a girth of 29 inches.

# Local 12 Softball League Begins May 5

### N. W. Ohio Softball Champs

Above is shown the Spicer Unit team, representing Local 12, UAW-CIO, which won the Northwestern Ohio Industrial Championship last year. They were nosed out in the Ohio State championships in a game requiring extra innings. The team will be entered in the Local 12 Softball League this season and will be one of the strong favorites to win the Local 12 title.

The players shown in the picture are; first row, Steve Kaifas and Robbie Robbins; second row, Otis McGee, Sidney Olson, Ralph Mason, Walter Jozwiak, Israel Moore, Pete Sturniolo, and Charles Penn; third row, Bob Wendt, Bud Root, Earl Ordway, coach, Frank Amborski, Honey Klonowski, Tony Szenderski, and Frank Szewczykowski, manager.

## Will Play Three Rounds Schedule; Ends August 6

The Local 12 Softball League will begin play at 6:45 p. m. on Monday, May 7, between 10 teams representing Units affiliated with the Local. The co-managers of the league, Frank Puskas, of the Auto-Lite Unit, and Bill Emerick, of the Willys-Overland Unit, announced that the entries for the league are closed and that three complete rounds will be played during the season. The season will be finished August 6.

Interest in the softball league is running high among the members of Local 12 and much friendly rivalry is already being displayed by players on the teams. The teams will vie for a large trophy, donated by Buddie's Box Lunch. A team must win the championship two years in succession to become permanent owners of the trophy. Individual medals for the winners are being arranged for by the softball league managers.

Playing equipment including bats, balls, gloves, masks, and other incidentals will be distributed to the managers of the teams at the next meeting, to be held Monday, April 30 in parlor "C" at Local 12 headquarters. At this meeting the powerful rules and grievance committee will be appointed by Puskas and Emerick. The five man committee will consist of the co-managers of the league and three managers chosen from Unit teams.

**Schedule of Games**

The games this year will be played Monday and Thursday nights on the following ball diamonds: Willys, Wilson, Beatty, Merrill, and Highland parks. The umpires will be furnished by the Greater Toledo Umpires Association, and according to Sheldon Shinavar, president of the association, umpires will not work the game in which their own Unit is playing.

The schedule will open with the following games: Acklin Stamping vs. Auto-Lite; Spicer vs. Willys-Overland; the combined Gordon Bumper and Mather Spring team vs. Champion Spark Plug; Packard Motors vs. DeVilbiss; and American Propeller vs. The National Supply. The parks at which these games will be played will be chosen at the next meeting.

## Ignasiak Hits The Ball Well

Eddie Ignasiak, a Local 12 boy, is fulfilling the expectations of the management of the Toledo Baseball Club, according to Eddie Gilliland, president of the club. Eddie is a great first baseman and is surprising even his most ardent supporters with his batting so far this season.

It is the contention of Gilliland that Eddie is certainly headed for the major league if he continues to move up as rapidly as he has been improving.

Walter Missler, second string catcher for the Mud Hens, and former member of the Willys Unit, is also showing well for the club. Gilliland aso predicts a big future for Missler.

## Girls Softball League Planned

There are two, and possibly three, Units affiliated with Local 12 which are desirous of placing girl's softball teams in the field this season. A league of six or eight teams could be formed and one or two games scheduled each week.

Local 12 will sponsor such a league if enough interest is shown by the membership to warrant such an expenditure. As in the case of the men's league, the Local would furnish the euipment necessary, except for the uniforms.

Any Unit interested in entering a team in a girl's softball is asked to send a representative to the men's softball league meeting Monday night in Parlor "C" at Local 12 headquarters, or send in the name of the Unit to the Sports Editor of the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL.

**Babe Ruth holds the American** League record of 60 home runs in one season. Hack Wilson, with 56 home runs, holds the National League record.

**Ray Mueller, of the Cincinnati** Reds, holds the record for catching the most consecutive games. He caught all 155 last season and ran his string to 217.

## Smelt Becoming Numerous

The smelt was brought to the Great Lakes from New England to provide food for salmon, which was also being introduced in this part of the country A series of plantings was made between 1906 and 1921.

The salmon failed to survive but the smelt multiplied beyond all expectations, and spread throughout the Great Lakes. However, a mysterious disaster amost wiped out the smelt during 1942-43 and now the little silvery fish are multiplying again in large numbers. Smelt dipping has become quite an attraction for tourists in the Great Lakes region.

## Defending Champions

Three athletic teams of the University of Michigan have taken the field in defense of their Western Conference championships. The swimming team also won the title last year but lost it this year of Ohio State University.

## It Didn't Get Away

This picture tells a story of Randy and a fish.

Randy is Randolph Gray, financial secretary of Local 12, the fish is a former inhabitant of the Atlantic ocean around the coast of Florida. Randy and the fish became acquainted a few

weeks ago while the Gray family was taking a much needed rest in the sunny south.

The poor fish was "hooked" into Randy's company when it snapped at a fat minnow on his line. So Randy had his picture snapped with his finny friend, just to prove that they were still close companions.

Randy calls his scaled friend A. Bonita, and says that it was a game one to the end (of the line).

By the way, Randy is the one who wears glasses in the picture.

**Walter Ernst, veteran catcher** on the Ohio State University baseball team, is batting .643 at present.

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**Babe Ruth was the third base**ball player to enter the Hall of Fame. He holds the lifetime record for home runs, with 714.

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**Russ Derry, New York Yan**kee outfielder, hit two home runs and drove in five runs in the opening game against Boston.

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**George Binks, rookie out**fielder of the Washington Senators, was the big gun on opening day when he hit safely four times in five trips to the plate.

## Packard Girls Stop Bowling

The women's bowling league of the Packard Unit wound up the playing for this season Tuesday night at the Recreation alleys. Everyone seemed to be in a gay mood and almost every kind of bowling was displayed for the occasion, including headpin and the left handed style.

The girls were not inclined to try for high scores. Some would just roll the ball and then return to the refreshment stand. It was all in a spirit of fun.

There seemed to be a sort of family feud between "Pat" Hartman and her mother, "Kate," and each rolled the best game of her career. "Pat" Hagerty completed the difficult 7-10 split. Other girls who did well for the night's performance were Rose Seigel, Dolly Incorvaia, Dorothy Schuler, Alvina Kwiatkowski, June Baidel, and Ruth Friess.

Sophie Burns, the women's city all-events champion, displayed her usual fine form for the spectators.

## Good Fishing News

The state of Michigan paid $75,000 for a tract of land in Ogemaw County, consisting of 4,288 acres. The area embraces nine lakes, including the well-known trout waters as the Rifle, Gamble Creek, and Houghton Creek. There has been practically no fishing in these waters for nearly 16 years. The area was known as Grousehaven, but will be designated as the Rifle River Area.

### In Line of Duty

COLUMBUS, April 20 — Our Republican - dominated Legislature likes baseball. So do conscientious members who remained on the job this week while dozens of their associates treked to Cleveland or Cincinnati for the opening games. The difference between the two groups is that one considered it more appropriate to remain on the job to expedite vital legislation than to give way to the urge of taking in the opening games.

**Ty Cobb, probably the best** batsman of all time, hit more than .300 in twenty-three seasons.

**Chuck Klein, Philadelphia** Phillies, hit four home runs in a single game, on July 10, 1936.

## Sport Goods For Veterans

Sportsmen of Ohio donated some of their used sports equipment and athletic goods which was auctioned off at the American and Canadian Sportsmen's Show in Cleveland recently. The net proceeds of the auction, $1,174.00, was presented to officials of Crile General Hospital for the purchase of athletic and recreational equipment for war veterans there.

**Since 1888, the weather for** Michigan has produced an average of 139 cloudy, 100 partly cloudy, and 126 clear days.

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